GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Welfare Programmes for Tribals
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Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes/ programmes being implemented by the Government for welfare and development of tribal population in the country;

(b) whether the said schemes/ programmes particularly Tribal Sub-Plan (TSP) have achieved the desired results in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has provided adequate funds under the said schemes/programmes during each of the last three years and if so, the details thereof along with its utilisation reported by the implementing agencies, scheme/ programme-wise;

(d) the monitoring mechanism put in place by the Government to monitor the utilisation of funds allocated under TSP;

(e) whether the cases of irregularities/ corruption/diversion of funds under the said schemes/programmes have come to the notice of the Government during the said period; and

(f) if so, the details thereof, scheme/ programme-wise, State/UT-wise along with the corrective action taken/being taken by the Government in such cases so far?

Answer

MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI JUAL ORAM)

(a): Government has adopted a multi-pronged strategy for overall development of tribal people across the country, which includes support for education, health, sanitation, water supply, skill development, livelihood etc. Major part of infrastructure development and provision of basic amenities in tribal areas/regions in the country is carried out through various schemes/programmes of concerned Central Ministries and the State Governments concerned, while the Ministry of Tribal Affairs provides additive to these initiatives by way of plugging critical gaps.A list of Schemes/programmes/interventions being administered by the the Government in the Ministry is at Annexure-I

(b) : Over the years, the Central and State Governments have been taking various initiatives for socio-economic upliftment of tribal population of the country. The efforts have brought out some improvements for tribals in terms of various indices relating to housing, sanitation, literacy, health, livelihood, clean drinking water etc. However, there is still a gap in the facilities available to Scheduled Tribes vis-Ã -vis other social groups as reflected in Census 2011:

Indicators All Social Groups STs
Rural BPL(2009-10) (Tendulkar Method) 33.8 47.4
Anemia in women 55.3 68.5
Child Mortality Rates 18.4 35.8
Infant Mortality Rates 57 62.1
Literacy Rate 72.99 58.9
Average dropout rates (Class I − X) 49.15 70.95
Good Houses 53.1 40.6
Households availing Latrine facilities within premises 46.9 22.6
Households cooking with non-smoke fuel 35.58 12
Households availing banking services 58.7 44.98
Households having television 47.2 21.9
Households having two wheeler 21.0 9.0
Households with drinking water facilities at premises 46.6 19.7
Households using electricity as source of light 67.2 51.7
%households covered by a health scheme 31.9 2.6
Per Thousand Agricultural Labourer 256 334

(c) The statement showing allocation and expenditure in respect of the schemes / programmes implemented by the Government in Ministry of Tribal Affairs for the years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 as at Annexure-II.
(d): The Ministry has issued "Operational Guidelines for Formulation, Implementation and Monitoring of Tribal Sub-Plan and Article 275(1) grants" in the month of March, 2014 for effective implementation of Schemes administered by this Ministry wherein issues

related to allocation of funds, priority areas, need for nodal Department in States, judicious utilization of TSP fund, institutionalizing the instruments for ensuring transparency have been taken care of.
The following steps are taken to monitor the performance of the schemes/programmes administered by the Ministry:
(i) Utilization Certificates are insisted upon as a pre-requisite for further release of funds as per the norms of GFR.
(ii) Progress reports regarding the status of implementation of schemes are obtained.
(iii) Officers while visiting States/UTs also ascertain the progress of implementation of various schemes/ programmes of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
(iv) Meetings/ Conferences are convened at the Central level with State officials for ensuring timely submission of proposals, speeding up of implementation of the schemes/ programmes, and reviewing the physical and financial progress.

(e) & (f): No specific reports of irregularities / corruption / diversion of funds have been received under the schemes/programmes of the Ministry. The erstwhile Planning Commission has issued Guidelines for implementation of TSP by the States /UTs on 18th June 2014. The Guidelines stipulates for non-diversion of funds meant for tribal areas and comprehensive monitoring framework with well-defined indicators, covering provisioning, service delivery standards as well as outcomes. Under the provisions of "Operational Guidelines for Formulation, Implementation and Monitoring of Tribal Sub-Plan and Article 275(1) grants" issued by the Ministry in the month of March, 2014 a Project Appraisal Committee (PAC) consisting of Secretary (Tribal Affairs) as chairman with representatives of NITI Aayog, Financial Advisor and representatives of the State as members/invitees has been constituted for appraisal and approval of the proposals received from the States. This has helped in ensuring consultation with the States, convergence of various schemes of the Ministry, transparency in the process of appraisal and fund releases and ensuring optimal utilization of financial resources.
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Annexure-I

Annexure-I referred in reply to part (a) of LokSabha Unstarred Question No. 151 dated 25.04.2016.

List of schemes being implemented by Ministry of Tribal Affairs
S.No. Name of the scheme

1. Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan (SCA to TSP)
2. Grant under Article 275(1) of the Constitution of India
3. Grants-in-Aid to State Tribal Development Corporative Corporations (STDCCs) etc. for Minor Forest Produce (MFP) Operations
4. Minor Forest Produce (MFP) through Minimum Support Price (MSP) and Development of Value Chain for MFP
5. Grant-in-Aid to Voluntary Organisation working for the Welfare of Scheduled Tribes
6. Coaching for Scheduled Tribes
7. Strengthening Education among Scheduled Tribe Girls in Low Literacy Districts
8. Vocational Training in Tribal Areas (NGO component)
9. Girls/Boys Hostels for STs
10. Establishment of Ashram Schools for STs in TSP Area
11. Post Matric Scholarship for ST students
12. Upgradation of Merit
13. Pre-Matric Scholarship for needy ST students studying in Classes IX & X
14. Vocational Training in Tribal Areas
15. Top Class Education for STs
16. National Overseas Scholarship for ST students
17. Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship
18. Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups(PTGs)
19. Research information & Mass Education, Tribal Festival and Others

Annex. II
Annexure-II referred in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 151 dated 25.04.2016.
(Rs. in crore)
S.No Name of Scheme * BE RE* EXP * BE RE* EXP * BE RE* EXP
2013-14 2014-15 2015-16

A SG Division
(a) Special Central Assistance

1 SCA to TSP 1200.00 1050.00 1050.00 1200.00 1040.03 1039.61 1250.00 1132.27 1132.17
2 Grants under Article 275 (1) 1317.00 1097.14 1097.1398 1317.00 1134.68 1133.1500 1367.00 1392.78 1392.4600
Sub Total 2517.00 2147.14 2147.1398 2517.00 2174.71 2172.7600 2617.00 2525.05 2524.6300
(b) Central Sector Schemes
3 Support to NSTFDC 70.00 70.00 60.50 70.00 70.00 70.00 70.00 63.33 63.33
4 Van Bandhu Kalyan Yojna 100.00 100.00 100.00 200.00 200.00 200.00
Total of A 2587.00 2217.14 2207.6398 2687.00 2344.71 2342.76 2887.00 2788.38 2787.96

B NGO Division
Central Sector Schemes
5 Aid to Voluntary Organizations/Exemplary Service 60.00 41.50 41.1842 36.50 45.00 44.6200 77.00 75.65 75.0500
6 Vocational Training Centers (NGOs) 3.00 2.80 2.7075 3.00 2.90 2.7000
7 Strengthening of Educational among ST Girls 40.00 42.00 40.3001 40.00 35.00 35.0000
8 Development of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PTG) 244.00 207.00 206.8954 207.00 180.00 180.0000 217.35 217.35 213.5400
Total of B 347.00 293.30 291.0872 286.50 262.90 262.3200 294.35 293.00 288.5900

C CP&R Division
Central Sector Schemes
9 Market Development of Tribal Products/Produce 34.31 34.31 34.31 35.00 35.00 30.82 50.00 40.00 34.85
10 State Tribal Development Cooperative Corporation for Minor Forest Produce 20.00 10.00 10.00 15.00 11.09 11.09
11 Mechanism for Marketing of Minor Forest Produce(MFP) through Minimum support Price (MSP) and Development of value Chain for MFP 0.00 122.00 112.49 317.00 100.00 100.00 307.00 143.00 117.69
Total of C 54.31 166.31 156.80 367.00 146.09 141.91 357.00 183.00 152.54

D Education Division
(a) Central Sector Schemes
12 Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for ST students 90.00 10.00 0.00 50.00 0.00 0.00 50.00 48.81 40.70
13 National Overseas Scholarship 1.00 0.98 0.6831 1.00 1.00 0.9900 1.00 0.72 0.3900
Total of (a) 91.00 10.98 0.6831 51.00 1.00 0.9900 51.00 49.53 41.0900

(b) Centrally Sponsored Plan Schemes
14 PMS,Book Bank and Upgradation of Merit 750.00 750.00 748.4465
15 Pre-Matric Scholarship for ST Students 212.19 211.52 219.4320
16 Boys & Girls Hostels 125.00 125.00 101.0550
17 Ashram Schools 75.00 72.17 72.17
18 Vocational Training Centers 6.00 7.62 6.1092
19 Scheme of Institute of Excellence /Top Class Institute 13.00 9.50 9.50
Total of (b) 1181.19 1175.81 1156.7127 21.16 0.00 0.0000
Total of D 1272.19 1186.79 1157.3958 72.16 1.00 0.9900 51.00 49.53 41.0900

E R&M Division
Central Sector Schemes
20 Research Information & Mass Education , Tribal Festivals and Others 11.50 10.47 7.0199 18.34 24.09 20.7900 38.70 21.20 18.3500
21 Monitoring and Evaluation 4.00 1.43 0.6503 4.00 1.99 1.2100 4.50 2.25 1.9000
22 World Bank Project- Improving Development Programmes in the Tribal Areas 0.00 1.16 0.00 3.86 1.44 0.56 2.00 1.00 1.37
Total of E 15.50 13.06 7.6702 26.20 27.52 22.5600 45.20 24.45 21.6200

F Administration Division
23 Information Technology -Ministry 2.80 2.20 1.0356 2.80 1.70 1.2700 2.80 1.00 0.3400
Information Technology -NCST 0.20 0.20 0.0399 0.50 0.23 0.2600
Total of F 3.00 2.40 1.0755 3.30 1.93 1.5300 2.80 1.00 0.3400

24 Umbrella Scheme for Education of ST children 2.80 2.20 1.0356 1036.84 1065.85 1058.5300 1154.84 1210.64 1173.3300
0.20 0.20 0.0399

Grand Total (A+B+C+D+E+F) 4279.00 3879.00 3821.6685 4479.00 3850.00 3830.60 4792.19 4550.00 4465.47
* including NE allocation